

## PATENT APPLICATION

# THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q65024

YAMAMORI, Naoki, et al.

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For: BIOJELLY-PRODUCING MICROORGANISM, MICROORGANISM-CONTAINING

COATING, MICROORGANISM-CONTAINING COATING FILM, AND METHOD

OF PREVENTING ATTACHMENT OF LIFE

### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002, the period for response being extended for one month to March 19, 2003, based on the filing herewith of a Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the fee therefor, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

#### **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1 and 7-10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

#### The claims are amended as follows:

2. (amended) The strain of microorganism according to Claim 11 which is FERM BP-

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3. (amended) A coating containing the strain of microorganism according to Claim 11.